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SUBJECT: SOVIET TREATMENT OF U.S.

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1. THE TASS REPORT OF SECRETARY KISSINGER'S STATEMENT ON THE TRADE BILL WAS READ ON THE MAIN NATIONAL TELEVISION NEWS ON JANUARY 15 AND WAS CARRIED IN PRAVDA ON JANUARY 16. SOVIET MEDIA HAVE NOT OTHERWISE REPORTED MOSCOW'S REJECTION OF THE 1972 TRADE AGREEMENT. PRAVDA (JANUARY 16) ALSO REPORTS A STATEMENT BY ARMAND HAMMER'S OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM CORPORATION THAT ITS AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIET UNION REMAINED IN FORCE, DESPITE THE CANCELLATION OF THE TRADE AGREEMENT. AND A TASS ITEM OF JANUARY 15 (PRAVDA JANUARY 16) CONTINUES EARLIER SOVIET ATTENTION TO LATIN AMERICAN DISSATISFACTION WITH THE TRADE BILL, BUT WITH NO MENTION OF THE SOVIET ASPECTS. IN A TASS REPORT WHICH GAVE PRIMARY PLAY TO THE STATE OF THE UNION SPEECH'S GLOOMY ASSESSMENT OF THE ECONOMY, PRAVDA PICKED UP THE PRESIDENT'S POSITIVE WORDS ABOUT SALT, VLADIVOSTOK,  
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AND THE BUILDING OF A LONG-TERM BASIS FOR COEXISTENCE

WITH COMMUNIST COUNTRIES. IT NOTED THAT THE PRESIDENT OBJECTED TO CONGRESSIONAL RESTRICTIONS ON HIS ABILITY TO ACT, BUT OMITTED HIS SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE USSR.

2. IN OTHER COVERAGE, SOVIET MEDIA HAVE CONTINUED THEIR RECENT NEGATIVE TREATMENT OF THE U.S. IZVESTIYA (JANUARY 15) CARRIED A COMMENTARY ON THE CIA'S DOMESTIC SPYING SCANDAL BY M. MIKHAYLOV. THE ARTICLE CONCLUDES THAT THE CIA QUESTION IGNORES THE ACTIVITIES OF THE FBI, WHICH ALLEGEDLY HOLDS FILES ON 158 MILLION AMERICANS. THUS, SAYS MIKHAYLOV, THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF AMERICANS ARE ILLUSORY. COMMENTATOR YURI ZHUKOV WRITES ABOUT INDOCHINA IN PRAVDA (JANUARY 16), CLAIMING THAT CRISIS ERUPT THERE WHENEVER THE "PUPPETS" AND THEIR U.S. PATRONS WANT TO SQUEEZE MORE MONEY FROM CONGRESS. HE ASSERTS THAT SAIGON COULD NOT CARRY ON ITS ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT IF THE U.S. ABIDED BY THE LIMITATIONS ON INTRODUCING NEW ARMS AND CITIES "DRAMATIC TELEGRAMS FROM THE U.S. EMBASSY IN SAIGON ON THE NEED FOR MORE U.S. AID.

FINALLY, ON THE EVENING TELEVISION NEWS JANUARY 15, PRAVDA COMMENTATOR VICTOR MAYEVSKIY DENOUNCED PURPORTED U.S. TREATS AGAINST THE ARAB OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRIES AND TIED THEM EXPLICITLY TO THE CURRENT MOEVMENT OF U.S. NAVAL SHIPS, INCLUDING THE ENTERPRISE, INTO THE INDIAN OCEAN.  
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